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CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
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Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995.

See the American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-captioned application.

**1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

- a. ☒ Previously submitted
- i. ☒ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 15, 2002 (Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered.)
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_
- iii. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_
- b. ☐ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (including Form PTO-1449 and References)
- iv. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**2. Miscellaneous**

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-captioned application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(e) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed three months; Fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(f) required.)
- b. ☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

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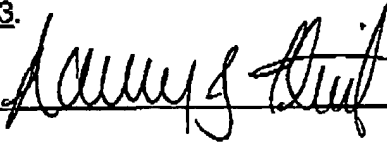
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